

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE**

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2015-16</b>		<b>FY 2016-17</b>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

**Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.**

LB 525 changes various provisions regarding education. The following changes have a fiscal impact for school districts or the State Department of Education (NDE).

School Construction Projects: The bill changes provisions relating to bidding construction projects by school districts. Current law provides that school districts are exempted from bidding construction, remodeling, or repair building projects or site improvements in which the contemplated expenditure is less than \$40,000. The bill provides that projects that are less than \$140,000 will not have to be bid beginning in FY2015-16. LB 525 also provides that projects do not have to be bid in situations where a certificate has been issued under the Emergency Management Act that immediate action is needed to secure any school-owned building from further damage, injury or potential loss of life due to a natural or manmade disaster

It is assumed the bill will decrease the number of building or site improvement projects bid by school districts in the future which will reduce the workload and minimal expenditures associated with bidding projects. It is unknown how the cost of projects will be impacted by not going through the bidding process.

Update of Subject Area Standards: Currently, the State Board of Education is required to review and update standards for reading, writing, math, science and social studies every five years. The bill increases the time span to revise subject area standards to every seven years. The change will reduce future expenditures for standards revision since the task will not be completed as frequently. The fiscal impact is unknown.

State Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children Meetings: The bill authorizes the State Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children to used videoconferencing when it holds a single meeting in a calendar year. Current law precludes the use of videoconferencing if only one meeting per year is held. The change may minimally decrease expenditures of NDE for the meeting of this council each year.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSES</b>		
LB:525	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. Department of Education
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COMMENTS: I concur with the Department of Education's assessment.		

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**2015**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 525**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup>

Education

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**ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

None.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
	<u>15-16</u>	<u>16-17</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____